Cancer Population

3964. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cancer cases registered in the country during the last five years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is a tremendous increase in the number of cancer cases in the country in the recent years;

(c) if so, what action is being taken by ICMR in this regard; and

(d) the latest programmes/initiatives undertaken by the National Cancer Control Programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (d) Information on incidence on cancer is collected through Hospital Based Cancer Registry and Population Based Cancer Registry functioning under the National Cancer Registry Programme (NCRP) of the Indian Council of Medical Research in selected States does not indicate any increase in rate of cancer of all sites combined together.

All the schemes under the National Cancer Control Programme have since been revised. Special emphasis is now being laid on early detection of Cancer through screening, promotion health education, creating awareness etc. under District Cancer Control Programme.

Growing Number of Patients

† 3965. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of patients coming from the different parts of the country are growing steadily everyday in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and in other hospitals situated in Delhi resulting in unnecessary delay in proper treatment of the patients; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the alternative measures and permanent solution thereto? _

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.